

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 96-249-C - ORDER NO. 97-848

OCTOBER 3, 1997

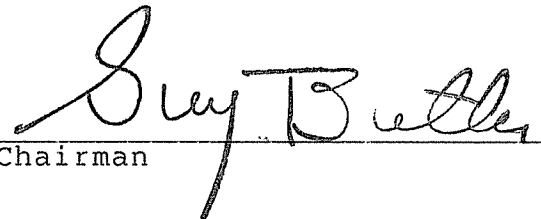
IN RE: Request of BellSouth Public Communi-) ORDER
cations, Inc. for Waiver of COCOT) GRANTING
Guidelines.) REQUEST

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of BellSouth Public Communications, Inc. (BellSouth) on behalf of Muhammed Enterprises of Columbia, South Carolina for a waiver of our COCOT Guidelines to block incoming calls on the pay telephone at that establishment. The request is co-signed by a representative of the Columbia City Police.


The grounds for said request are that the location provider is seeking to ensure the safety and security of employees and patrons of the business. By blocking incoming calls, the location owner hopes to deter loitering and potential criminal activity.

We have examined the matter, and hold that the guidelines shall be waived, based on the reasoning stated above. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Deputy Executive Director

(SEAL)